KIDWELLY BOROUGH COUNCIL.

Public Health Department,
Borough Offices,
KIDWELLY.

REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE YEAR 1970.

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Kidwelly.

I beg to submit my Report for the year 1970 on the health administration of the Borough. The Report also incorporates that of the Public Health Inspector.

In doing so, I would like to thank the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors and Officials for their assistance and kindness during the year.

E.H.Beynon Hopkins,
Medical Officer of Health.

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BOROUGH OF KIDWELLY.

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1970.

Mr.Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE BOROUGH:

Your district covers an area of.....2854 acres.
Population (mid-year) 1970 Estimated by Registrar General.....3010
Density per acre.....1.05
Number of inhabited dwellings at April 1970.....1038
Sum represented by Penny Rate on R.V.....£230
Rateable Value at April 1970.....£57,415

Unemployment. The average number of unemployed for the year was 63 weekly (55 males - 8 Females) out of an insured population of 1227. This is equivalent to 5.1% of the insured population. These figures are applicable for Kidwelly and include Trimsaran, Llansaint, Ferryside and Llandefeilog - the areas administered by the Kidwelly Employment Exchange of the Department of Employment and Productivity.

VITAL STATISTICS:

DEATHS:

Males - 20 Females - 25 TOTAL - 45

Rates per 1,000 home population - Crude Rate - 14.95 Adjusted Rate - 16.49

DEATHS 65 and over:

Males - 11 Females - 17 TOTAL - 28

LIVE BIRTHS:

Males - 21 Females - 23 TOTAL - 44

Rates per 1,000 home population - Crude Rate - 14.62 Adjusted Rate - 16.37

ILLEGITIMATE LIVE BIRTHS:

Males - Nil Females - Nil TOTAL - Nil

Illegitimate Live Births per cent of Total Live Births - Nil
Illegitimacy rate per 1,000 Total Live Births - Nil

STILL BIRTHS:

Males - Nil Females - 1 TOTAL - 1

Rate per 1,000 Total Live and Still Births - 22.22

ILLEGITIMATE STILL BIRTHS:

Males - Nil Females - Nil TOTAL - Nil

Illegitimate Still Births per cent of Total Still Births - Nil

TOTAL LIVE AND STILL BIRTHS - 45

INFANT DEATHS (deaths under 1 year)

Males - 1 Females - 2 TOTAL - 3

ILLEGITIMATE INFANT DEATHS (deaths under 1 year)

Males - Nil Females - Nil TOTAL - Nil

Illegitimate Infant Deaths per cent of Total Infant Deaths - Nil

INFANT MORTALITY RATES:

Total Infant Deaths per 1,000 Total Live Births.....68.18
Legitimate Infant Deaths per 1,000 Legitimate Live Births.....68.18
Illegitimate Infant Deaths per 1,000 Illegitimate Live Births.....Nil

NEO-NATAL MORTALITY RATE (deaths under 4 weeks)

Males - Nil Females - 2 TOTAL - 2

Rate per 1,000 Total Live Births - 45.45

EARLY NEO-NATAL MORTALITY RATE (Deaths under 1 week)

Males - Nil Females - 1 TOTAL - 1

Rate per 1,000 Total Live Births - 22.73

PERINATAL MORTALITY (Still Births and Deaths of Infants under 1 week)

Males - Nil Females - 2 TOTAL - 2

Rate per 1,000 Total Live and Still Births - 44.44

MATERNAL MORTALITY (including abortion)

Number of deaths - Nil

Rate per 1,000 Total Live and Still Births - Nil

RATES PER 1,000 OF ESTIMATED POPULATION:

	Crude Rate.	Adjusted Rate.	Rate for England and Wales.
Live Births	14.62	16.37(a)	16.0
Deaths	14.95	16.49(b)	11.7
Rate of Still Births per 1,000 Live and Still Births	22.22		13.0
Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 Live Births	68.18(c)		18.0

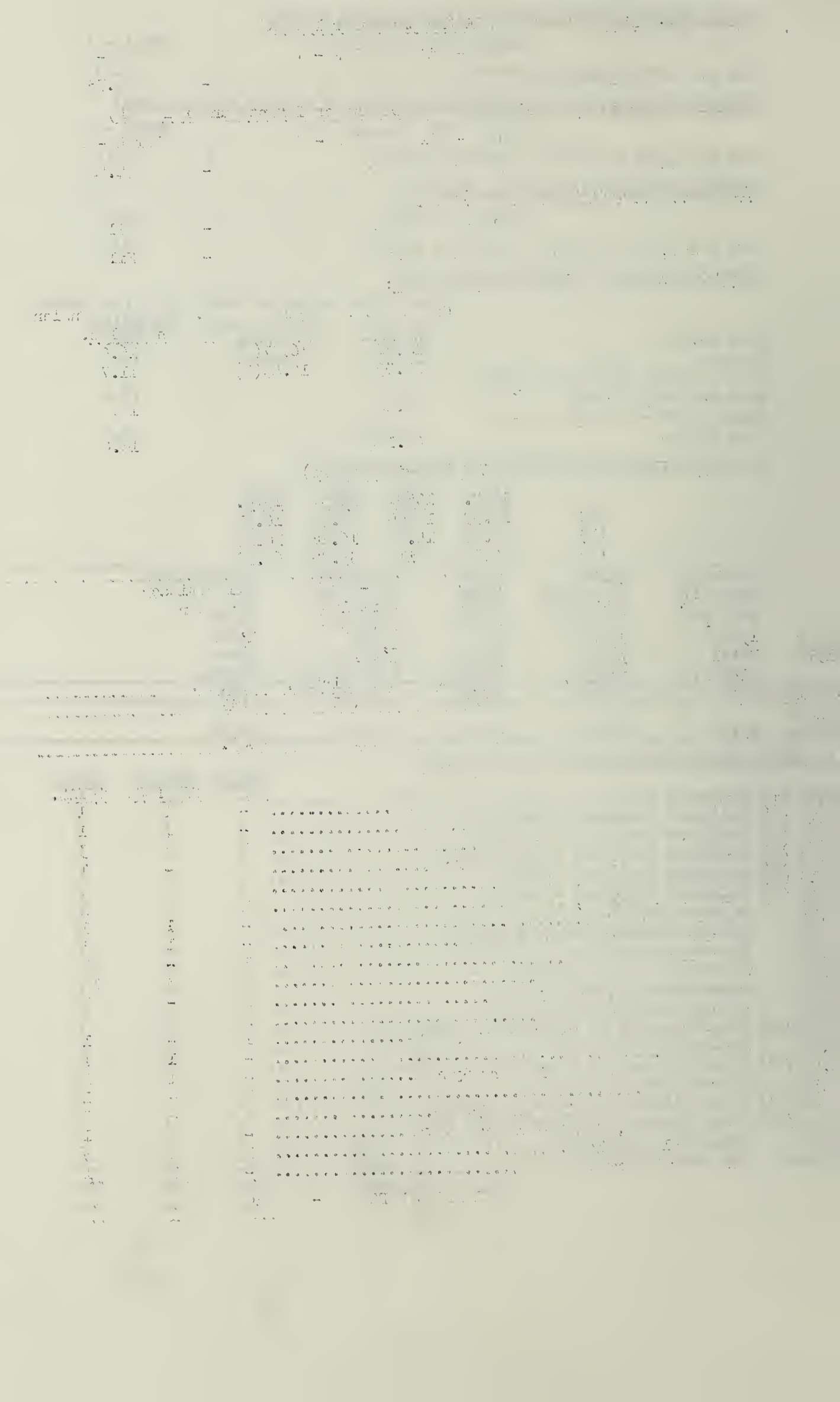
CORRESPONDING RATES FOR KIDWELLY (previous years)

	1967.	1968.	1969.	1970.
(a)	14.99	16.46	22.40	16.37
(b)	14.69	15.68	16.26	16.49
(c)	26.30	Nil	33.89	68.18

Year 1970	Maternal Mortality Rate per 1,000 Total Births.	Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 Live Births.	Still Birth Rate per 1,000 Births.	Neo-Natal Mortality Rate per 1,000 related Live Births.	Illegitimacy Rate per 1,000 Total Live Births.
Kidwelly	Nil	68.18	22.22	45.45	Nil
England & Wales	0.18	18.0	13.0	12.0	83.0

CAUSES OF DEATH IN KIDWELLY BOROUGH IN 1970:

		MALES.	FEMALES.	TOTAL.
B.19 (1)	Malignant Neoplasm, Buccal Cavity, Etc.	-	1	1
B.19 (3)	Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	-	1	1
B.19 (4)	Malignant Neoplasm, Intestine	1	2	3
B.19 (6)	Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	1	-	1
B.19 (8)	Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus		4	4
B.19 (9)	Malignant Neoplasm, Prostate	1		1
B.21	Diabetes Mellitus	-	1	1
B.26	Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	-	1	1
B.27	Hypertensive Disease	1	-	1
B.28	Ischaemic Heart Disease	8	3	11
B.29	Other Forms of Heart Disease	1	-	1
B.30	Cerebrovascular Disease	2	6	8
B.46 (6)	Other Diseases of Circulatory System	1	-	1
B.31	Influenza	-	1	1
B.46 (7)	Other Diseases of Respiratory System	-	1	1
B.34	Peptic Ulcer	1	-	1
B.46 (8)	Other Diseases of Digestive System	2	-	2
B.46 (9)	Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System	-	1	1
B.42	Congenital Anomalies	1	2	3
B.E.50	All Other External Causes	-	1	1
	TOTAL ALL CAUSES -	20	25	45



CAUSES OF INFANT DEATHS:

	Duration of Life.	Sex.	Place of Death.
Downs Syndrome	4 months	M	Hospital
Duodenal atresia	1 week	F	Hospital
Duodenal atresia, Prematurity	6 days	F	Hospital

INFECTIOUS DISEASES:

The following Notifications were received:-

Infective Jaundice - Males - 3 Females - Nil

Measles - Males - 7 Females - 16

Dysentery - Males - 4 Females - 2

Examinations of stools of patients resulted in Shigella sonnei being isolated in one case only. The source of the infection was not traced.

FOOD POISONING:

No cases were notified or otherwise ascertained.

TUBERCULOSIS:

No new cases were notified.

CARMARTHENSHIRE STATISTICS FOR VACCINATIONS - 1970.

SMALLPOX, B.C.G., POLIOMYELITIS AND MEASLES:-

Smallpox (Whole County)

Age at date of vaccination.	Number vaccinated.	Number re-vaccinated.
Under 1 year.	63	-
1 year.	847	-
2 - 4 years.	118	12
5 - 15 years.	39	52

B.C.G. Vaccination (Whole County)

	Contact Scheme.	School Children.
Number skin tested.	96	278
Number found negative.	82	230
Number vaccinated.	84	193

Poliomyelitis Vaccination (Whole County)

Age Group.	Primary.
Children Born 1970	872
Children Born 1969	507
Children Born 1968	61
Children Born 1967	22
Children and young persons born in years 1963-1966	34
Others under 16 years	11
TOTAL -	1,507

Number of persons given Booster Vaccination - 629

Measles Vaccination (Whole County)

Age Group	Number Vaccinated.
Children Born 1970	3
Children Born 1969	119
Children Born 1968	123
Children Born 1967	81
Children Born 1963 - 1966	132
Others under 16 years	23
TOTAL -	481

IMMUNISATION (STATISTICS - WHOLE COUNTY) 1970

	Primary						
	Born 1970	Born 1969	Born 1968	Born 1967	Born 1963-1966	Others to 16 years.	BOOSTERS.
Triple Antigen (Diphtheria/Pertussis/ Tetanus)	849	509	47	18	28	7	808
Diphtheria/Tetanus	5	7	1	1	11	6	474
Tetanus	1	1	2	1	14	93	172
Rubella	-	-	-	-	-	27	-

Experience in Wales and elsewhere continues to show the value of maintaining a high level of immunisation in the population against certain diseases. In particular against diphtheria, whooping cough, poliomyelitis, measles and tetanus.
Vaccination against smallpox infection has also proved invaluable. It must be emphasised that where these diseases have been absent for many years, the prevention of a possible serious epidemic depends upon the percentage of susceptible persons in the population who have been immunised or vaccinated against these diseases.

BRUCELLA ABORTUS:

A Notice under the provisions of The Milk and Dairies (General) Regulations, 1959 (Regulation 20) served in May 1968 remained in force although milk production, and all other farming activities, at the farm were discontinued.

MASS RADIOGRAPHY:

No visit was made by any Unit of the Welsh Hospital Board during the year. Proposals by the Board to rationalise the Mass Radiography Service, details of which were received by the Council early in the year, were opposed and a letter of objection was sent to the Board.

NATIONAL BLOOD TRANSUSION SERVICE:

A Blood Transfusion session was hled in the Borough at the British American Optical Factory on the 14th April 1970 at which 100 persons donated blood. Sessions for the general public were held at the neighbouring Town of Llanelli. Most people can donate blood to the blood bank, and the amount of blood taken is quickly restored from the body's reserve which is replaced in a matter of days. With the continued increasing need for blood, I appeal that in the future, more people will donate blood for this most worthy and needy cause.

NATIONAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO CHILDREN:

Close collaboration is maintained with the Local Inspector of the above Society and mutal action to mitigate distress is taken whenever necessary. The Local Inspector is Mr.D.Worthing who resides at 44, Glenalla Road, Llanelli. (Telephone Number 5612).

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT 1948 - SECTION 47 (as ammended 1951)

This section provides for the removal to suitable premises, of persons in need of care and attention. No formal action under this section has been necessary for a number of years, persuasive action having been sufficient to achieve the desired ends. The availability of the powers does aid persuasion in certain cases.

GENERAL HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES:

Infant Welfare.	Capel Sul Vestry.	Alternate Tuesdays.	2.00 to 4.00.p.m.
Ante-Natal and Post Natal Clinics.	Capel Sul Vestry.	Fridays.	9.30.a.m.to 12.00 noon.
Chest Clinic	Bay View, Capel Road, Llanelli.	Mondays.	9.00.a.m.to 5.30.p.m.
		Tuesdays.	9.00.a.m.to 1.00.p.m.
		Wednesdays (by appointment only)	9.00.a.m.to 6.00.p.m.
		Thursdays.	9.00.a.m.to 5.30.p.m.
		Fridays.	9.00.a.m.to 5.30.p.m.
		General Practitioners' Referrals (X Ray only) Tuesdays.	2.00.p.m.to 4.00.p.m.

Venereal Disease Clinics.	West Wales General Hpspital Glangwili, Carmarthen.	Males and Females:- First Friday each month.	2.00.p.m. to 6.00.p.m.
		Third Friday each month.	2.00.p.m. to 6.00.p.m.
	Mount Pleasant Hospital, Swansea.	Males:- Mondays	9.00.a.m. to 12.00.noon
		Tuesdays	2.00.p.m. to 4.00.p.m.
		Wednesdays.	5.00.p.m. to 7.00.p.m.
		Females:- Tuesdays.	9.00.a.m. to 12.00.noon
		Thursdays.	3.00.p.m. to 5.00.p.m.
Psychiatric Outpatiends Clinic.	Llanelli General Hospital.	Every other Wednesday.	2.00.p.m.
Deaf Aid (repairs) Clinic.	Llanelli General Hospital.	Thursdays.	9.00.a.m. to 5.00.p.m.
Physiotherapy Clinic.	Bryntirion Hospital Swansea Road, Llanelli.	Monday to Friday.	9.00.a.m. to 5.00.p.m.
		Saturdays.	9.00.a.m. to 12.00.noon
Immunisation (& vaccination if required).	Brynmair Clinic, Goring Road, Llanelli.	Fridays.	10.00.a.m. to 11.00.a.m.
Family Planning.	Llanelli General Hospital.	Every Tuesday except 1st Tuesday of each month.	5.30.p.m. onwards.
Cervical Cytology.	Llanelli General Hospital (Family Planning Association)	Every Tuesday except 1st Tuesday of each month.	5.30.p.m. onwards.
	Brynmair Clinic, Goring Road, Llanelli.	Wednesdays	2.00.p.m. to 5.00.p.m.

LABORATORY FACILITIES:

Specimens and samples are sent to the Public Health Laboratory, Glangwili Hospital, Carmarthen, and to the Public Analyst, Carmarthen.

DISTRIBUTION OF WELFARE FOOD:

National Welfare Foods were distributed under arrangement with the Carmarthenshire County Council. The centre was open daily at the Borough Officies, Kidwelly. From 1st April 1970 this arrangment was discontinued and Welfare Food was available at the Infant and Post-Natal Clinic Sessions at Capel Sul Vestry.

HOME NURSING EQUIPMENT:

Sick room and nursing articles and equipment for patients at home can be obtained from the County Medical Officer of Health under arrangements made by the County Council. A monthly charge, based on the cost of the item is normally payable. Cases of hardship receive special consideration.

Patients are charged according to the family circumstances and the cost of the article. Equipment provided under the County Council arrangements include:- air-beds, air-rings, bed cradles, bed-pans, back-rests, crutches, urinals, waterproof sheets, etc.,

Requests with regard to the provision of equipment should be submitted to the County Medical Officer of Health.

HOME HELP SERVICE:

The Home Help Service is organised by the Carmarthenshire County Council. The Home Helps are provided during the laying-in period in maternity cases where the paitent has no relative available to undertake the domestic duties of the home, and also in certain cases of sickness or need. For those in receipt of Social Security benefit domestic help can be arranged when needed through the Department of Health and Social Security. The Health Department collaborates closely with the Officials responsible for the services enumerated above. The area Organiser is available for interviews and information at 6, John Street, Llanelli, on Mondays between 2.30.p.m. and 4.00.p.m.

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE:

The County Council provides the service for the care and after-care of people suffering from mental illness or sub-normality and whole time Mental Welfare Officers are employed for this work. The Officer duly authorised to take initial proceedings under the Mental Health Acts for the provision of care and treatment of persons in the area suffering from mental illness is Mr.D.A.David, Glen View, Gwendraeth Town, Kidwelly.

MENTAL SUBNORMALS:

The Carmarthenshire County Council is responsible for the ascertainment, supervision and general welfare of mental defectives. Supervisory home visits are made by a Social Worker and a Home Teacher is also employed for the Home Teaching of mental defectives.

There is a Junior Training Centre for Mentally Handicapped Children at Heol Goffa, Llanelli, with teaching facilities for 75 children, and residential quarters for 42 children.

Facilities are also available for short-term care of cases during holidays or illness of the guardians.

CITIZEN'S ADVICE BUREAU:

A bureau is established at 4, John Street, Llanelli - Office hours - Monday to Friday inclusive are:- 10.00.a.m. to 12.00.noon and 2.00.p.m. to 4.00.p.m. (Telephone Number - Llanelli 5626).

There is also an Office of the Carmarthenshire Community Council at 16a, Guildhall Square, Carmarthen, which is open to the Public 9.00.a.m. to 5.00.p.m. Monday to Friday. At the same premises, from 10.30.a.m. to 12.30.p.m. the services of Voluntary Advisors are available as a Citizen's Advice Bureau.

REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS:

The Registrar is available at the Borough Offices from 12.00.noon to 1.00.p.m on the first Thursday of each month.

POST MORTEMS:

Post Mortems are performed at the Llanelli General Hospital. The Council's Mortuary was therefore not used during the year.

VAPOUR GAS DISINFECTOR:

This is situated at Llanelli and is used under a scheme operated in conjunction with Llanelli Borough, Llanelli Rural District [illegible] and Burry Port Urban District Councils.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA:

WATER:

Most of the Town area of Kidwelly is supplied with filtered and chlorinated water from Llanelli by the Llanelli and District Water Board.

The former supplies for the Town shown below are still in use to the extent indicated.

The supplies are obtained from wells in different parts of the district and from deep seated springs tapped and delivered by cast iron mains. They consist of hard-waters which have a high degree of natural purity and are not plumbo-solvent. All the supplies are chlorinated and chlorination tests are made daily.

CAPEL SUL SUPPLY:

This yields a minimum supply during extended drought period of about 12,000 gallons per day and now only supplies Ferry Road and Water Street areas.

MILLANDS SUPPLY:

During the summer months this supply augmented the Capel Sul Supply.

CAE CEFN SUPPLY:

This supply gives a minimum flow of 15,000 gallons per day. A gauging chamber is provided to record the overflow from the collecting chamber which has shown a constant flow of 10,000 gallons daily. This supplies most of Mynyddygarreg area.

MAESGWENLLIAN SUPPLY:

This is from deep seated springs, tapped in a disused silver mine audit level and gives a minimum supply of approximately 36,000 gallons in 24 hours. There is a storage tank for 10,000 gallons. This source is used to supply a few properties only north of Felindre. Otherwise the supply is held in reserve in the main against a check valve.

CARMARTHEN RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL SUPPLIES:

These serve part of Mynyddygarreg and the Kingswood area.

Water supply schemes completed by the Water Board during the year were descaling of mains at Kidwelly and the provision of an 8 inch main from Kidwelly Town area to Mynyddygarreg.

There were no schemes under construction with the Water Board in Kidwelly during the year.

The Board were awaiting the approval of the Welsh Board of Health at the 31st December 1970 for the provision of a new service reservoir at Mynyddygarreg. The were no other schemes under consideration by the Water Board at this time.

Samples taken during the year from the various supplies for bacteriological examination were satisfactory. These samples were taken in addition to the samples of raw water from the above supplies taken by the Llanelli and District Water Board for examination and analysis.

Average daily consumption in the Board's area:-

a. Domestic	-	5,657,080 gallons per day
b. Trade	-	4,000,000 gallons per day

Total number of dwellings in the Board's area supplied with water 24,770
Estimated population supplied with water 78,410
Average daily consumption per head for domestic purposes during 1970, 72.1 gallons.

Number of gallons pumped during 1970:-

a. From Gwendraeth Fach River	-	161,301,000
b. From River Towy	-	383,561,000

Number of days pumping:-

a. Pembrey Pumping Station	-	70
b. Towy Pumping Station	-	127

Total rainfall during 1970:-

Cwm Lliedi Reservoir	- 62.55 inches
Number of days on which rain fell	- 226 ,
Maximum fall	- 1.89 inches.
Date	- 2nd November 1970

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR.
H.V.L.THOMAS, M.A.P.H.I., M.R.S.H.

GENERAL ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH (INSPECTIONS, ETC.) OF THE AREA.

Number of Public Health complaints or enquiries received.....75
Number of persons including property owners interviewed.....679
Investigations in connection with applications for Council dwellings.....43
Houses inspected under the provisions of the Public Health or Housing Acts.....36
Council dwellings inspections.....50
Water Supplies.....Nil
Abatement of Nuisances (general).....2
Refuse collection and disposal.....13
Drainage and Sewage Disposal.....14
Water courses.....Nil
Animals.....8
Dirty conditions.....7
Accumulations and deposits.....15
Moveable dwellings (other than licensed sites).....7
Repairs to water services.....152
Drain blockages cleared.....48
Drains tested or otherwise examined.....4
Dust and effluvia nuisance and smoke nuisance (inspections and observations).....Nil
Miscellaneous.....72
Investigations of Rodent infestations following report by Rodent Operator or other information received.....4
Verminous premises.....Nil
Disinfestation at verminous premises.....Nil
Noise nuisance.....2
Improvement Grants.....Nil
Flooding.....3
Smells nuisance.....10

INFECTIOUS DISEASE CONTROL:

Investigations and other visits made.....23
Disinfection of premises following infectious disease.....1

PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936 - SECTIONS 92 and 93 (Nuisances)

Number of informal notices served in respect of nuisances.....Nil
Number of informal notices complied with.....Nil

NOISE ABATEMENT ACT, 1960:

No action was necessary under the provisions of this Act. The Council is a member of the Noise Abatement Society.

SWIMMING BATHS AND POOLS:

There are no such baths in the Borough, but a considerable amount of sea bathing is enjoyed by inhabitants during the summer months.

SCHOOLS:

The four shcools in the Borough are for infant and primary children and includes a Welsh School started in September 1968, in a prefabricated timber building erected for the purpose.

Periodic inspections are carried out at the Schools and the School kitchen. The County Medical Officer of Health is notified of any defects requiring attention.

A Play Centre (Cylch Chware) is held on Wednesday mornings at Morfa Welsh Presbyterian Church Vestry. The centre is run by volunteers for children between the ages of 2 and 4 years.

CAMPING SITES:

There are no camping sites in the Borough.

SEWERAGE:

Most of the Town is sewered to a sewage treatment plant which provides sedimentation, drying beds and effluent discharge to the Gwendraeth Fach River Estuary.

CLOSET ACCOMMODATION:

Number of premises connected to sewer during the year.....Nil
Total number of premises connected to sewer at end of year.....850
Number of premises to cesspools.....11
Number of cesspools in area.....7
Number of premises with alternative arrangements.....239

CLEAN AIR ACT, 1956 - SMOKE ABATEMENT:

No Industrial smoke nuisance occured within the Borough during 1970

PUBLIC CONVENIENCES:

There are two public conveniences in the centre of the Town which are cleaned and disinfected daily. The one in Station Road provides for Ladies and Gentlemen and the one on the Bridge is a stall urinal. These conveniences were continually being wilfully damaged by vandals.

REFUSE COLLECTION:

House refuse is collected weekly from all houses in the Borough by motor lorry and is tipped on the Morfa Mawr Embankment and Coleman Tip. The vehicle is a Bantam Karrier with a covered top. Refuse receptacles are provided by householders and business people themselves.

FACTORIES ACT, 1961:

The prescribed particulars on the administration of the Factories Act, 1961, is attached as an Annex at the end of this report.

SHOPS ACT, 1950:

No action was deemed necessary in respect of hours of working of shop workers.

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963:

16 premises, where the Local Authority enforces the Act, were registered at the end of the year.

Offices.....5 (18 persons employed)
Retail Shops.....10 (24 persons employed)
Wholesale Shops and Warehouses.....1 (1 person employed)

CARAVAN SITES AND CONTROL OF DEVELOPMENT ACT, 1960:

There are two licensed residential sites in use in the Borough each with one caravan stationed on the site.

HOUSING:

DEFECTIVE DWELLINGS:

Number of defective dwelling houses repaired in consequence of informal or formal action by the Local Authority or their Officers.....7

RENT ACT, 1957:

Number of certificates of disrepair applied for.....Nil

HOUSING ACT, 1957, SECTIONS 9 and 10:

Number of dwelling houses in respect of which informal Notices were served,requiring repairs,and complied with.....1

Number of dwellings which were rendered fit after service of formal notices:-

a. By owners.....1
b. By Local Authority in default of owners.....Nil

HOUSING ACT, 1957, SECTION 17(1)

Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made...Nil
Number of Demolition Orders complied with.....Nil
Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Undertaking to repair accepted.....1
Number of such Undertakings complied with.....Nil
Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Closing Orders were made.....Nil
Number of Closing Orders complied with.....Nil

IMPROVEMENT GRANTS:

14 grants were paid during the year as follows:-

Discretionary Grants	-	Nil	
Standard Grants	-	14	- £4,749

HOUSING ACT, 1969:

Number of Qualification Certificates applied for.....Nil
Number of Qualification Certificates issued.....Nil

HOUSING PROGRAMME OF THE COUNCIL:

Pre-War	-	Hillfield Villas.....44	
Post-War	-	Hillfield Site.....32	
		Pen-yr-Erw Site.....6	
		Horeb Road Site.....20	
		Priory Street Site.....54	
		Gardde Site.....14	
		Flatlets Station Road.....2	
		Priory Street Site.....2	
		Bryntessog Site.....6	
		Porth-y-Castell Flats.....8	
		Parc Pendre Site (houses).....61	
		Parc Pendre Site (flats).....30	
		Ger-y-Gwendraeth:-	
		(46 houses - 24 bungalows).....70	- TOTAL - 349

6 houses were completed by private enterprise during the year.

FOOD HYGIENCE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1960-62:

The numbers and categories of food premises in the area which are subject to the Regulations are:-

	No.
Butchers	3
Butter Packing Factory	1
Cafes and Restaurants	4
Factory Canteens	2
Fish Frying	1
General Stores (Grocers)	16
Ice-Cream Manufacture	1
Licensed premises	16
School Kitchens	1
Warehouses	1

UNFIT FOOD:

No certificates were issued for the voluntary surrender of unfit food during the year.

Unfit food is buried in lime on the Council's Refuse Tip.

THE MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATION)REGULATIONS 1963 and AMENDMENT REGULATIONS, 1965:

Samples of milk taken for Bacteriological examination during the year satisfied the prescribed tests and samples of Untreated Milk gave negative results to the Ring Test for Brucella abortus.

ICE-CREAM - THE ICE-CREAM (HEAT TREATMENT, ETC.,) REGULATIONS, 1959:

Samples of ice-cream submitted for examination were in GRADE 1.

ADULTERATION, ETC.,OF FOOD.

No action was necessary under the Food and Drugs Act, 1955.

RODENT CONTROL (PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949)

The Council employ a Rodent Operator on two days per week for Rodent Control purposes in the Borough under the Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949. In addition to dealing with notifications of infestation, routine inspections and treatments are made at the Council's Refuse Tip and other lands. The sewers are treated twice annually against rats. Agricultural premises were visited within the restrictions imposed by the Ministry to prevent the spread of Foot and Mouth Disease.

Rodent Control work carried out during the year is indicated in the following table which is a copy of the Annual Report (Form I.R.31) for 1970 required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

Properties other than sewers	Type of Property: Non-Agricultural	Agricultural.
1. Number of properties in district.	1,222	29
2. (a) Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notifications	78	2
(b) Number infested by (i) Rats.	65	2
(ii) Mice.	18	2
3. (a) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification.	472	-
(b) Number infested by (i) Rats.	132	-
(ii) Mice.	78	-

I remain,

Your obedient Servant,

E.H.Beynon Hopkins, M.R.C.S.(Eng)., L.R.C.P. (London), D.P.H.,
Medical Officer of Health

ANNEX.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH IN RESPECT OF THE YEAR 1970 FOR THE BOROUGH OF KIDWELLY IN THE COUNTY OF CARMARTHENSHIRE.

Prescribed particulars on the Administration of the Factories Act 1961.

PART I of the Act.

1. INSPECTIONS for the purpose of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspector).

Premises (1)	No. on Register. (2)	Inspections. (3)	Written Notices. (4)	Occupiers Prosecuted. (5)
1. Factories in which sections 1,2,3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authority.	-	-	-	-
2. Factories not included in (1) in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority.	9	5	-	-
3. Other premises in which section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers premises)	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	9	5	-	-

2. Cases in which DEFECTS were found. (If defects are discovered at the premises on two, three or more separate occasions they should be reckoned as two, three or more 'Cases')

Particulars.	Number of cases in which defects were found.		Referred.		Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted.
	Found.	Remedied.	To H.M. Inspector.	By H.M. Inspector.	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Want of cleanliness (S.1)					
Overcrowding (S.2)					
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)					
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)					
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)					
Sanitary conveniences (S.7)					
a. insufficient					
b. unsuitable or defective					
c. not separate for sexes.					
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to out-work)					
TOTAL	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

PART VIII of the Act.
Outwork (Seetions 133 and 134)

There are no Outworkers employed with the Borough.